മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. അയ്യപ്പൻ:—അവക്കുവേണ്ടി ഒരു പ്രത്യേക ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെൻറ വച്ചിരിയ്ക്കുമ്പോൾ ആ ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെൻറ മുഖാന്തിരമായാൽ ഈ നഷ്ടം കൂടാതെ ചെയ്യുവാൻ സാധിയ്ക്കയില്ലേ?

രാമവർമ്മ തമ്പുരാൻ.—അങ്ങിനെയുള്ള ഒരു കാര്യവും ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെൻറ മുഖാന്തിരം ചെയ്യാറില്ല. ഇതിനെ പറ്റി consider ചെയ്യാൻ വിഷമമില്ല.

Magistrates—revision of pay.

266. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether a deputation waited on the Diwan to urge the necessity for revising the pay of the Sub-Magistrates;

(b) the reply given by the Diwan to the deputation;

(c) whether the Government are aware of the necessity of affording relief to the Sub-Magistrates in the manner recommended by the Special Finance Committee?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) The Diwan promised to consider the matter, but no definite reply was given.

(c) Government fear that they cannot take up the revision of pay at present.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—May I know the reason why they cannot take up the revision at present?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—For reasons of general financial stringency.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Are the Government satisfied that a case has been made out for a revision?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Government did not go into such minute details. They are not going to take up the question at present for want of funds.

Selection of Probationary Inspector.

267. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether in selecting Mr. Sankara Menon as Probationary Inspector in 1108, his having taken the law course was a consideration with the Commissioner of Police;

(b) whether Mr. Sankara Menon possesses any other University degree than B. A.;

(c) whether there were not in service in the Police Department graduates who had also passed departmental tests;

(d) if the answer to (c) is in the affirmative, what were the special reasons for selecting Mr. Sankara Menon?

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Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Yes.
(b) No.
(c) Yes.
(d) Because Mr. Sankara Menon was the most suitable candidate.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—It is stated in answer to (d) that he is the most suitable candidate. Will any additional information be given on that point? How was he considered to be the most suitable candidate?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Having regard to his educational qualifications he has already undergone the law course for two years and secondly he has a better personality. Thirdly he has got medals and other prices in games.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—At the time of selection was there not amongst the applicants a clerk, a graduate clerk of the Commissioner's Office, N. R. Subramania Ayyar by name?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was he not a man deputed by the Government for revising the Police Manual and the Motor Manual?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—He was only asked to correct the proofs.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—For that was he given a bonus of Rs. 25?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I want notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—With regard to this gentleman, N. R. Subramania Ayyar, was there not a proceedings of the Acting Diwan so long ago as Makaram 1108 that he may be given a chance in the next vacancy in the Executive force?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—There was no such order. It only said that he may be tried when a suitable vacancy occurs in the field.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What was done with that order?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—It was reported to the Government that he was not fit to be an Inspector.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—When was the report submitted to the Government?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I want notice. I do not exactly remember the date.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was it after the selection of the Probationary Inspector or before it?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—It was after that.

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Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Then why was not that order given effect to ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—My reasons for not acting up to that order were submitted to the Government and they approved my appointment.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Before the Acting Diwan passed this order was there a query to the Commissioner of Police upon the request of N. R. Subramania Ayyar for that place in the Executive force ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I want notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was he ever tried in the executive line ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No; because the appointment to the cadre of the Inspectors are made under the rules.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether Mr. N. R. Subramania Ayyar has ever been given an opportunity in the Executive Police force ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Under the existing rules it was not possible to appoint him to the cadre of the Inspectors because the appointment is to be made either by direct recruitment, or by promotion from among qualified Head Constables. There is no provision for the appointment of a clerk.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there not a Proceedings of the Government to the effect that qualified men should be entertained in the Police Head Office and when they gain experience they should be promoted to the executive line ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I do not think there is any definite order to that effect; but even if there has been one, it was subsequently repealed by the rules provided in the Police Manual.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—In answer to another question in Appendix IX there is a Government order when Sir T. Vijayaraghavachariar was the Diwan. There it is said, "Now that the pay of the Executive staff has been improved with a view to secure efficient and better qualified men, Government deem it desirable to revise the pay of the office staff also, so that, by entertaining better qualified men in the Police Head Office and by promoting them to the executive line when they gain experience of the departmental work the whole department might be brought into an efficient condition". Is that still in force?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—When was it cancelled?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Under the subsequent rules incorporated in the Police Manual with the sanction of the Government.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Which is the rule of the Police Manual ?

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Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Sections 6, 7 and 8 of the Police Manual regarding recruitment of officers. The appointments are made by direct recruitment and promotions from qualified Head Constables.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was this N. R. Subramania Ayyar entertained originally as Head Constable ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—He did not work in the field. He was asked to work in the office.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was he not taken into the force as an Head Constable ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—May be.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was it a fact ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.— It is quite possible that he was entertained as Head Constable. It was not in my time. But he was asked to work in the office.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What is his disqualification to be appointed in the Executive force ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—As clerk he was punished for surreptitiously removing an office record with the intention of getting some illegal gratification.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was an enquiry conducted into that allegation ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Certainly.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What was the finding of the Commissioner of Police?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—He was found guilty, otherwise he would not have been punished.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it not the finding of the Commissioner of Police that this charge has not been substantiated ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I do not think so.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has this charge of illegal gratification been not found true by the Commissioner of Police ?

Mr P. Nilakanta Menon.—Not that I am aware of.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Can I expect a direct answer whether the finding of the charge of illegal gratification contained in the petition has been found to be untrue ?

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Does this come as a supplementary question ?

President.—I do not think it is a supplementary question. You can put fresh questions.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Have there not been four vacancies of Sub-Inspectors subsequent to the order of the Acting Diwan?

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Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—There might have been some vacancies. I do not remember the number.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Has there not been a most recent vacancy in the study leave arrangement of Mr. Sreenivasa Ayyar?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—There was an acting vacancy.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it not for a period of two years?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was the report of the Commissioner submitted to the Government before the vacancy was filled up?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Subsequent to this order of the Acting Diwan was not Mr. Madhava Menon promoted as an Inspector of Police?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Was he not a man whose promotion was debarred by the Commissioner of Police for one year?

Mr, P. Nilakanta Menon—I have not got the papers here. It is possible.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan—Before the expiry of one year, was he not posted as an Inspector of Police?

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—We are going far away. We are going into the history of officers. We are not interested in such questions.

President.—It is relevant to the question.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—On a Point of Order, Sir. Here is a question asked about the comparative merits of the two candidates. How is it that it is not a supplementary question?

President.—It is for the President to decide. I did not decide that way.

Paucity of Anchal men in Trichur.

268. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) how many villages are served by the Trichur Anchal Office.

(b) what is the number of Anchal men employed in the Trichur Office;

(c) of whom how many are doing town service and how many village service;

(d) is there not keen necessity for increasing the number of hands for mail delivery;

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